

CHAPTER NO. 395

SENATE BILL NO. 1342

By Mr. Speaker Wilder, Haun

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1586

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AN ACT To designate a bridge on State Route 224 in McNairy County as the "Glidewell-Williams Memorial Bridge".

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the elected representatives of the State of Tennessee should name certain highways and bridges to honor those exemplary citizens who made the ultimate sacrifice in contributing to the growth and prosperity of their communities; and

WHEREAS, While helping to build a new bridge at Owl Creek Cove on what is now State Route 224 in McNairy County in 1923, Tolbert Williams, Jess G. Glidewell and Glen Glidewell tragically lost their lives in a construction accident, while two other men narrowly escaped death; and

WHEREAS, These three fine gentlemen and their immense sacrifice in service of their fellow citizens is still vividly remembered and greatly revered by McNairy Countians today; and

WHEREAS, The Williams and Glidewell families and the McNairy County Board of Commissioners have petitioned this Body to designate the aforementioned bridge as the "Glidewell-Williams Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to these three exceptional men and their tremendous sacrifice for progress and prosperity, which still reverberates throughout the Volunteer State and continues to inspire us today; and

WHEREAS, This General Assembly most heartily concurs with this excellent proposal; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge at Owl Creek Cove on State Route 224 between Stantonville and Michie in McNairy County is hereby designated as the "Glidewell-Williams Memorial Bridge" to commemorate the worthy lives and heroic sacrifice of the late Tolbert Williams, Jess G. Glidewell and Glen Glidewell.

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating such bridge as the "Glidewell-Williams Memorial Bridge".

SECTION 3. The erection of such signs or markers shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. (1) This act shall become operative only if McNairy County, Tennessee, either remits the estimated cost of the erection of such signs to the department of transportation within one (1) year of the effective date of this act or manufactures such signs in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (2). McNairy County shall make such payment prior to any expenditure by the state for manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to McNairy County within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, McNairy County shall remit an amount equal to the difference in such costs to the department within thirty (30) days of receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

(2) McNairy County may manufacture and erect such signs provided that such signs are manufactured and erected pursuant to state and federal guidelines and approved by the department.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: June 7, 2001


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 19th day of June 2001


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